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Report pegs office, library repairs at \$1.2 million

BY PAUL FREY
 MVP Staff

Town council will have some decisions to make on the future needs of town staff and the space to house them.

That was the conclusion of administrators based on a report done for the town by ISL Engineering last year. Highlights of the report were shared with council members during a meeting in April.

The report outlined repair costs to the current 35-year-old town office-library building of \$1.2 million over the next five years, with \$577,987 in repairs needed on the town office portion of the building and \$674,500 in repairs identified on the library side of the building.

Some of the more expensive items on the town office list include replacement of a rooftop heating unit estimated at \$200,800 and replacement of the sloped metal roof, estimated to cost \$200,000.

Other repairs, such as making the building wheelchair accessible, ensuring adequate fire separation and installing sprinklers throughout the building, weren't assigned a dollar figure except to say those costs would be "significant."

On the library portion of the building, it was estimated that the rooftop heating unit would cost \$200,800 to replace in the next five years. Other repairs to the library were also deemed "significant" but not specified.

While the report was received for information only, Roy Brown, the town's chief administrative officer, said council members have to balance these costs with other priorities the town has in the future. Brown said the town will keep the report for future reference until a long-term plan for the building is contemplated.

"That's all it was was a discussion point. The more information (council members) have, the better decisions they're going to make," he said.

Brown said he has also had discus-

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ROY BROWN
 CAO Town of Didsbury

sions recently with architect Rick Balbi about the possibility of the town building a new administrative building that would be large enough to house many of the town staff who are currently located in different facilities.

But Brown said council members must first decide whether they would want to do that instead of the current practice of housing staff in several facilities. They must also decide what land they would like to build a new town office on and what services, such as Didsbury Neighbourhood Place and Didsbury After School Care Association they would put in a new building.

"Council has to look at ... what lands would be suitable if they decided to go with a new facility. Council has to decide what do they want to put in a new building. Council has a lot of work to do even before they would begin the process of looking at that. We're looking years down the road," he said.

Brown said in his opinion, since Didsbury is a growing community, and town staff will likely grow to service the community, it would be good to house as many town staff in one location as possible.

"It makes (for) a much more efficient operation, but at the same time, you have to look at the costs and what is the best value for the taxpayers' dollar. We would all like to have a new facility, but you have to look at what your budget will allow," he said.



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Didsbury High School Grade 10 student Camryn Gosselin competes in the junior girls triple jump during a track and field meet at Hugh Sutherland School on May 20. Gosselin placed fifth in the event.

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Didsbury RCMP are looking for this person in relation to a tire theft at the Didsbury bottle depot.



The Didsbury Car Club would like to thank all the parties and individuals that were involved in making the 23rd Annual Show and Shine such a success. Without the help and support of each and every one of them, a show of this magnitude would not be possible. It would be our preference to list all of them individually, but due to the vast amount of people responsible,

it would be virtually impossible to do this. But we do need to make mention of a few.

We want to thank the Town of Didsbury once again for their continued and ongoing support in everything that they do for the Show. And to the Mayor for taking the time to pick his favorite vehicle for the "Mayors Choice Award".

Thanks to the Didsbury Chamber of Commerce for showing their support in so many ways.

Thanks to all the merchants and store owners for allowing us to take over the streets and sidewalks in front of their stores.

Thanks to all the Sponsors who gave so graciously, whether it was in the way of door prizes, gifts in kind or a cash donation. We would like to thank Rubydale Asphalt Works for coming on board as our presenting sponsor. It is because of this generosity that allows us to bring entertainment of this caliber to the Show. It also gives us the opportunity to give cash donations to various charities and societies. These being the Didsbury Fire Dept., May Monarch, two Didsbury High School Scholarships, Didsbury & District Historical Society, Didsbury High School Football Club, Mountain View Emergency Shelter, Essentials For Our Community, and the Mountain View Food Bank. A huge thank you to all the volunteers that offered their help on the day of the show and the days before and after.

As was said earlier, there is way too many to give thanks to, but mention should be given to the "Didsbury High School Football Club" for once again manning the barricades. The Fire Dept. for being on hand if needed. The Didsbury & District Historical Society for the use of the Museum for our Club meetings, and the Didsbury Ag Society for the use of their tables and bleachers. Also to Miller Excavating for the use of the skid steer and Central Crane for donating a crane for hanging the sign. Thanks to the Teamsters Local 362 for the use of their trailer and stage.

It would not be a show and shine if it was not for all the specialty vehicles that lined the streets. Many thanks to all the car owners for bringing their vehicles to the show. The Club has taken the approach that any vehicle of "special interest" is worthy of showing it off. We saw a vast variety of different types and classes of vehicles. It is our decision, as a club, to not discriminate against any of these vehicles. It is because of this decision that has allowed you, the public, to view and enjoy many different types and classes of vehicles, old or new, restored or modified, at our Show and Shine. We will endeavor to continue to provide you with the same approach in the years to come. For interest sake, the vehicle from the furthest away was from Medicine Hat.

We, the "Didsbury Car Club", would like to thank the public, from near and far, for coming out and spending your time to take in the 23rd Annual Show and Shine, and the many events that were going on that day. Truly, it is you, the public, that really make the show and shine what it is today and for the years to come. We appreciate all your comments, input and suggestions. We need your input to see where improvement is required. For those that did participate in this year's show, it was obvious that one of the biggest issues that we had, due to the large volume of vehicle entries, was the lack of real estate. A good problem to have. But, a problem none the less. An issue, along with a few others, that the Car Club will address in the upcoming months.

On a more personal note, as president of the "Didsbury Car Club", I cannot say enough of how proud I am of our current club. We are boasting a membership of just over 40 members now and I have to say that each and every one of them has been a valuable asset to the club. Every one of them has in their own way stepped up to the plate and hit home runs. Should you happen to meet any one of them, make sure you give them a pat on the back for a job well done. They well deserve it.

If there is anyone out there that is interested in joining our club, contact me, Gil, at 403-994-0845, or Dana at 403- 923-2481. Or you can reach me at, gilbert@gtapperformance.com.

Please keep your eye on this paper for upcoming events brought to you by the Didsbury Car Club.

Police Briefs

Passenger facing drug charges

While patrolling the Burnt Timber area on May 15, Didsbury RCMP stopped a vehicle at a checkpoint on Twp. Rd. 304 at 1:30 p.m. When the officer stopped the vehicle they noted a stale smell of marijuana in the vehicle. Upon searching the vehicle, the officer reported finding marijuana, cocaine and magic mushrooms. The 18-year-old male driver from Langdon was issued a 24-hour roadside suspension and the 18-year-old male passenger from Chestermere was charged with three counts of possession of a controlled substance. The passenger appears in court near the end of June.

Driving while disqualified

A 47-year-old Calgary man was charged with driving while disqualified after RCMP pulled over his vehicle on Twp. Rd. 304 on May 15 at 8:30 p.m. When the officer asked the man for his driver's licence, he failed to produce it. A check on the suspect revealed he was not supposed to be driving, as his licence had been suspended. His vehicle was seized for 30 days. He appears in court on July 3.

Impaired driver

RCMP observed a vehicle failing to remain in its lane on Twp. Rd. 304 at 3:30 a.m. on May 16. When the officer pulled the vehicle over, the driver provided a breath sample of .20. Police said a subsequent breath test yielded a sample of .18. The 30-year-old man, from Airdrie, also had outstanding warrants from the Calgary Police Service, which were served on him by the Didsbury RCMP. The man faces a June 29 court date on the impaired driving charge.

Quads stolen

RCMP received a complaint from a man in the Burnt Timber area on May 17 at 1:30 p.m. The man reported that two of his quads were stolen from his campsite. One was a 1991 grey W9 Polaris with an Alberta licence plate of EXM 75 while the other was a 1991 red Polaris Trailblazer. The Trailblazer had an Alberta licence plate of EXM 45. The W9 has a vehicle identification number of 1850735 while the Trailblazer has a VIN of 1870701.

Traffic stop yields vehicle seizure

RCMP received a report of a possible impaired driver on 20th Avenue at 5:30 p.m. on May 18. An officer located the vehicle travelling toward 23rd Street. A traffic stop was conducted and the 23-year-old male driver from Olds admitted to the officer that he had been drinking prior to getting into his vehicle. Police said a subsequent breath test revealed that man had a blood-alcohol reading of between .05 and .08 milligrams per cent. Because the man's graduated licence was suspended at the time of the stop, his vehicle was seized for 30 days, he was ticketed for driving while suspended, and he received a citation for driving without registration.

Tire stolen from bottle depot

RCMP are on the lookout for a man suspected in the theft of a tire and rim from the Didsbury bottle depot at about 11:45 a.m. on May 20. RCMP say surveillance video revealed the man going into the business with a bag and a few minutes later departing the location with a tire and rim. The man was seen getting into a red Ford F-150 with a blue canopy on it.



Paul Frey/MVP Staff

FOOD BANK CASH - Vicky Johnson, president of the Mountain View Food Bank, receives a \$1,000 cheque from Gil Enns, president of the Didsbury Car Club. The funds were raised by the car club through registrations at the show and shine held in the community on May 9.

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Members of the DHS concert and jazz ensemble bands played at a festival in Moose Jaw from May 11 to 14.

DHS band students get good feedback

Moose Jaw festival a learning experience

BY PAUL FREY
MVP Staff

Didsbury High School (DHS) band students came back from a trip to Moose Jaw with some constructive feedback from adjudicators on how to improve their musical performances.

Forty-one students in both the Grade 9 concert band and Grade 9 Jazz Ensemble played at the non-competitive festival.

"It was cool to see what we can change to make ourselves better," said George Holdstock, a bass clarinet and trumpet player who is a member of both bands.

Fellow musician Haley Nichols agreed.

"It was awesome, especially with the jazz band because when we usually do these kind of festivals with the jazz band, adjudicators usually judge the whole band together, but this festival was mostly solos and stuff, and so the rhythm section kind of got singled out and they got to work with them and the soloists. And that was really good. I learned quite a lot from that," she said.

Nichols said the festival atmosphere is a great learning experience because band members get feedback from more people with different perspectives than DHS music director Kirk Wassmer.

"It kind of expands your knowledge a bit more," she said.

Nichols has been playing the alto saxophone for two years. Before beginning on the saxo-

"It was cool to see what we can change to make ourselves better."

GEORGE HOLDSTOCK
DHS music student

phone, she played the clarinet for two years.

Trinity Wilson, a baritone saxophone player, said band members got good feedback on how the rest of the band can back up soloists while they are playing a section of a piece while at the same time not drowning out the soloists.

"It was cool in the dynamics how we learnt just as a band we can do stuff without the conductor. Altogether, it was awesome. The adjudicators were amazing," she said.

Wilson said she learned a lot about how dif-

ferent sections of the band can work together and how the band as a whole can work together to make a performance better.

Wassmer said the DHS students were among about 3,000 students from across Western Canada playing at four different venues throughout the city. This was the sixth annual trip Grade 9 DHS students made to Moose Jaw.

"This Moose Jaw festival is excellent. It's non-competitive. The students ... perform in a great atmosphere. The adjudicators are top-

notch, give them some valuable feedback that they can bring back and use to kind of take our music to the next level," he said.

DHS students practised three pieces for about two to three months before going to the festival. Wassmer said after the students played their pieces, the adjudicators spent about 30 to 40 minutes with them about how they might improve.

"These festivals that we go to are a big reason why we achieve what we do. I think when the kids get this feedback from other people it's always valuable. I think the great thing about music is there's no right or wrong necessarily, there's different opinions on how everything can be done. It's fun to experiment and try those things out," he said.

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It has been a true pleasure working with you the past years and I will truly miss you all. Wish I could have said goodbye.

The staff is what makes that school awesome! Thanks again and the best of luck to you all!

Yours truly,
Deb Blois

P.S. I will miss all the kids and parents as well.



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Cooper's job as house leader could help constituency

BY DOUG COLLIE
MVP Staff

MLA-elect Nathan Cooper is excited about his appointment as Wildrose party house leader and says it may enable him to help out his constituents more than he could as an ordinary MLA.

Cooper made those comments during an interview with the *Gazette* after being appointed to the post earlier this month. The appointment is expected to become official today or tomorrow (May 26 or 27).
"I was humbled and honoured (to be

appointed to the role)," Cooper said.
He noted as house leader, his job is to organize caucus activities so that caucus members know who will be speaking in regard to what bill on what day.
It also involves negotiating with the house leaders of other parties as to

when legislation will be debated in the house.
Cooper says the role could be an advantage for the Olds-Didsbury-Three Hills constituents. "Certainly it allows the opportunity to build relationships with some significant players in the government," Cooper said. "It allows for some

close working relationships as hopefully they'll be close working relationships with the other house leaders.
"Any time you can build a relationship with other politicians - particularly on the government side - there's the opportunity for them to hear the needs and desires of the constituency as well."

Before the May 5 provincial election, Cooper served as the Wildrose party's director of legislative affairs.

In that position, he reported directly to the house leader, helping them prepare for their duties.

"The primary difference is I used to be the staff member who assisted the elected official in that role and now I'm the elected official," Cooper said.

Cooper suspects that experience is the reason Wildrose party leader Brian Jean appointed him house leader.

"I have a bunch of that procedural experience and I have been involved in the negotiations on a staff-to-staff level prior. So now it will be as an

elected official," he said.
Cooper is certain the job will require more hours than that of the average MLA, but he's not sure yet how much extra time it will consume.

"There will definitely be some additional trips to Edmonton on behalf of our caucus to ensure that we're well represented in the legislature," he said.

Rimby-Rocky Mountain House-Sundre MLA Jason Nixon has been appointed party whip for the Wildrose party.

Cooper says he'll be working closely with Nixon, because their roles are quite complementary.

As party whip, Nixon will be responsible for keeping the lines of communication open between party leadership and the caucus itself, so everyone knows what's going on.

Nixon will also be responsible for doing things like organizing caucus meetings, helping schedule caucus events and making sure the party is represented at various functions.

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New fire hall to soon begin construction

BY PAUL FREY
MVP Staff

The Municipal Planning Commission approved the go-ahead for a new town fire hall to be built adjacent to the current town shop on May 13.

The town is currently awaiting the signing of a contract with Provincial Steel Buildings, an Airdrie firm, to build the \$4-million, 1,170-square-metre hall. Construction is expected to begin in the next few weeks on the project.

The new hall will be at least double the size of the current one.

"Part of the building components have been ordered and we're hoping for a June, early July start (on construction), so we're moving ahead. It's very good news and it's something we've been working toward for a number of years," said Roy Brown, the

town's chief administrative officer.

Brown said the hope is that the new building could be occupied by the first quarter of 2016.

Since the fire hall project had been considered several years ago, Brown said the cost of the final design will be money well spent. Other contractors previously estimated designs to cost about \$6 million.

"We feel the value is significantly better than what we had previously discussed," he said.

Brown also said town administrators were pleased that Mountain View County council and administration agreed to fund a portion of the costs of the building. Mountain View County's portion is \$1.75 million.

"We were very pleased to be able to come to an agreement with (the county) to move forward," he said.



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Opinion

Editorial

Thumbs down to vulgarity

When Sean Simoes, a rather pathetic engineer with a \$106,000 salary and a group of idiot friends, decided to shout obscenities at TV reporter Shauna Hunt they offended a lot of people. Hunt, you see, had become a target by simply doing what reporters often do, talking to random people at a Toronto soccer game earlier this month.

We won't repeat his words here but suffice to say they were offensive to women, to anyone who knows a woman, mothers in general and last, but not least, other reporters. The same could be said for the unnamed yokel who is facing a \$401 fine in Calgary for the same stunt.

These events make us ponder when people became so unaware of others to think this type of behaviour is in some way acceptable, funny or even trendy. He puffed out his chest and attempted to shout her down, but she won the respect of everyone who has seen the video. Big time. Simoes lost his job over his comments, and rightly so.

Apparently, Simoes' behaviour began as an Internet joke, in which twits impress their friends by interrupting and sabotaging TV news reports. Funny, eh? We don't think so either, because poor behaviour is something many reporters, and female reporters in particular, are often forced to experience in order to do their jobs.

Even at any one of our company's newspapers, our professional, well-educated and polite reporters and editors sometimes put up with sexist boors and bullies when they only want to do the jobs they trained for. Some have come back to the office to say men who should really know better have uncomfortably and shamefully ogled them.

We also realize that all of our media colleagues do not operate under the same standards of decency. But the bad ones are also few and far between and still many of us have been called vultures and worse, with the same casual disrespect that you might expect during a road rage incident.

In the newspaper business, we understand that emotions can run high as we deal with traumatic events. So when one of our reporters was obscenely threatened online after posting a request to speak to anyone who may have known either of the RCMP officers shot in January we sort of get it. We pulled the request out of respect for those emotions, but honestly, the threat was very wrong and our shaken reporter did not deserve to receive it or to be treated that way by anyone. There is something else going on here. Disrespect, vulgarity and cowardly behaviour seem to have become the order of the day, where online sniping and misinformed opinion are easy substitutes for proper debate. Add to that the cover of gutless anonymity and mob self-righteousness and it's clear where people like Simoes come from. His rudeness has likely overflowed from computer screens in suburban basements and on to our city streets.

This editorial first appeared in the St. Albert Gazette on May 20.



Commentary

Provinces lousy at spending control

BY MARK MILKE

Provincial cries for more federal money are as old as Confederation, and rarely have any substance to them. After all, it's easier to demand that Ottawa ante up federal cash – to cry about some mythical "fiscal imbalance" – rather than examine how provinces already spend taxpayer money. It's also easier than raising provincial taxes and risking local taxpayer ire when people think such tax hikes unjustified.

First though, ponder the so-called fiscal imbalance – the claim that the federal government has all the money, little pressure to spend, and the provinces are starved for revenue but have programs that require spending above the combined effect of population growth plus inflation.

Space does not permit a detailed history of the byzantine nature of provincial and federal taxes and transfers, but here's the short summary. At Confederation, the deal was that the provinces would drop their trade-inhibiting tariffs on each other's exports. (Tariffs were then the main source of provincial revenue). In exchange, the provinces would receive limited transfers from the Dominion/federal government. The provinces would also receive the right to tax personal income.

As it happened, the provinces did just that. And of course, since 1867 provinces have had the ability to tax us in other, multiple ways – property tax, sales and consumption taxes, business taxes, et al.

When it comes to transfers, back in the 1970s the federal government cut yet another deal with the provinces by reducing its tax take so the provinces could raise their taxes – which they promptly did. And more recently, on direct payments to provinces, the federal government has increased transfers to a budgeted \$68 billion this fiscal year, up from \$41 billion in 2005-06.

Simply put, there has been no shortage of tax room, tax-raising possibilities or federal transfers to the provinces. But all of that tax talk ignores the spending side of provincial budgets.

Sure, some might argue that the provinces have unique provincial responsibilities, with health care and K-12 education to name the two most significant provincial expenses.

But the federal government also has unique responsibilities (defence, Old Age Security payments, Aboriginal matters, etc.). In a world increasingly characterized by terror and defence threats such as ISIS, the federal government can argue just as cogently that more money should be spent

on defence and thus take priority over provincial desires.

Eyes should roll when the provinces claim they need extra taxes, via Ottawa or provincial tax hikes. To understand why, consider the provinces' lack of attention to controlling spending. For example, take a look at education, often falsely claimed to have been "cut" and thus which demonstrates provincial profligacy.

As my colleagues demonstrated in a recent paper, the truth is the reverse: Enrolment in public schools declined in nine of 10 provinces between 2001-02 and 2011-12. But per pupil spending increased, even after accounting for inflation.

New Brunswick led the spending parade. It increased spending on public schools, beyond the combination of pupil enrolment plus inflation, by 56.4 per cent. It was followed by Alberta (55.3 per cent). When provincial governments demand more money from Ottawa (or from provincial taxpayers), remember provincial education spending habits. On at least one core provincial responsibility, the provinces have been demonstrably poor at controlling their own expenditures.

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Noel West/MVP Staff

HIGH FLYING - Didsbury High School Grade 12 student Anna Houtmann competes in the senior girls high jump at a track and field event held at Hugh Sutherland School in Carstairs last week. Houtman placed first in the event.

TOWN OF DIDSBURY



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 Information Line 403.335.2030
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PUBLIC MEETINGS

REGULAR TOWN COUNCIL MEETINGS: Tuesday May 26, 2015 at 6:00 pm.
 MUNICIPAL PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING: Wednesday June 10, 2015 at 4:30 pm
Unless otherwise noted, all meetings are held in Council Chambers at the Town Office.

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New Development Permit Applications

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HO 15-001	20 Westwood Drive	Home Occupation-w/conditions	R1
DP 15-035	34 Westhill Drive	Accessory Building-Detached garage-w/conditions	R1

Further information may be obtained at the Town Office, 2037 - 19 Avenue or by calling 335-3391. Persons wishing to appeal any of these decisions must do so in writing, with the appropriate fees to the Secretary, Development Appeal Board, prior to 4:30 pm on **June 9, 2015**.

Dani Woodman - Development Officer

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DHS students put spin on classic fairy tales

BY PAUL FREY
MVP Staff

Didsbury drama students put a spin on some classic Grimm fairy tales on May 23 with two performances of The Brothers Grimm spectacular at the Didsbury Memorial Complex.

Directed by Sara Fast and Mikaela Munn, the two Grade 12 students wanted to do one last drama production before graduation. So in January, following the conclusion of the Grinch,

when drama teacher Cali Beazley bowed out of the production, Fast and Munn stepped up to direct the adaptation of 129 of the Grimm fairy tales. The group had been rehearsing since February a few times per week.

"We thought that we could try (directing) and she could just give us pointers. We just looked online for different stories ... and we thought this would be a fun one to do," Fast said.

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Paul Frey/MVP Staff

Calista Perison (left, as girl), Addison Price (Rumpelstiltskin) and Sarah Nowlan (Rapunzel) act out a scene from The Brothers Grimm on May 23 at the Didsbury Memorial Complex. The play was an adaptation of several of the Grimm fairy tales.

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Munn said she found directing was a challenge trying to keep all 17 actors on task and organizing all the different aspects of the production.

"It teaches you patience and discipline. It is also really great because you get to know kids in a whole different way, because we had to choose who we wanted to put in each different role. It's stressful but rewarding," she said.

Haliegh Hopps, a Grade 9 student who played one of the two narrators in the production, said she enjoyed performing the role, which was originally written as a male role.

"On the audition day, Mikaela said she wanted a girl to try out for it and the next day I found out I got the part. But ... it was actually a really fun character to do," she said.

Hopps previously played a small role in the Grinch in December, but said this much larger role was a good step for her.

"You kind of have to be more prepared for other people's lines. The transition (from the Grinch), it was different, but it was a pretty good experience," she said.

As a result of this role, Hopps said she will be much more confident when trying out for future roles.

"I'm definitely going to work character-wise more and just study my lines more," she said.

Michael Fawns, who played several different roles, including Prince Charming, said he felt comfortable with the roles he had throughout the play.

"I felt like I could suit the roles pretty well. It wasn't too much to handle and it was a really good experience," he said.

Fawns said he liked collaborating with all his fellow actors on the production.

Since he played his role relatively well, Fawns said his confidence heading into future productions is fairly high.

"It makes you feel like a lot more people are depending on you to remember your lines and everything. I think that since I got the hang of it, I think it could really help in the future," he said.



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Sundre wins health challenge between communities

BY SIMON DUCATEL
MVP Staff

Locals who got involved in the 2015 Health Challenge helped the town of Sundre to become the winning community.

Sundre residents were recently offered the chance to take part in a challenge geared towards improving people's health through friendly com-

petition.

Peaks to Prairies Primary Care Network (PCN), serving Olds and Sundre, joined the Highland PCN, which serves Airdrie, Beiseker, Carstairs, Cremona, Crossfield, Didsbury and Irricana, in the 2015 Health Challenge.

The health challenge is a health and wellness initiative that this year ran from March 16 to April 26 to inspire

people of all ages and fitness levels to do activities every day that help maintain a healthy lifestyle. During the six-week challenge, individuals focused on strategies for healthy eating, active living, mental wellness and social well-being.

To recognize and celebrate the success of the local effort that led Sundre to be named this year's winner, a wind-up event is planned for this Friday,

May 29 at the Sundre Community Centre from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Part of the idea behind the event, aside from celebrating the success, is to promote the things people can do to continue being active now that the challenge is over, she said.

The celebration will be open to everyone, and those who participated in the challenge have all been invited, she said.



AROUND TOWN FOR MAY 26, 2015

MAY 26. "Computers for Seniors" information session with Ken Duckworth. Learn computer basics and how to be safe with your computer and email. If you own a laptop, you are welcome to bring it. We will have a few available. Tuesday, May 26 from 2 to 4 p.m. This is a free session, but please register at the Library or call 403 335-3142 so that we can set up enough tables and chairs.

MAY 27. Coffee & Conversation will be held at the Didsbury Museum on Wednesday, May 27 from 1 to 3:30 p.m. Our guest speaker will be Grant Hemming from the Didsbury Model Airplane Club. Everyone is welcome to come chat, enjoy a cup of coffee, and explore the Museum.

JUNE 2 TO AUGUST 29. Extended summer hours at the Didsbury Museum: Tuesdays to Fridays 9 to 4 and Saturdays 10 to 4 p.m. BE AN ARTIFACT SLEUTH! Come and hunt for a selected artifact each week, and get your sleuth card stamped. After you have found 6 artifacts enter your card into a draw for a \$25 voucher. Children 12 & under need to be accompanied by an adult.

JUNE 5. Word in the West Literacy Fest - food, door prizes, crafts, LEGO™, and fun for all ages. Mountain View Community Building. Friday, June 5 from 4 to 9 p.m. 6:00 p.m. - special guest: Maureen Bush, author of "Feather Brain", 7:00 p.m. - movie: "Gemma Boverly". Sponsored by the Libraries in Olds, Didsbury, Carstairs, and Sundre and by the Mtn. View Communities Adult Learning Society.

Church Directory

The REVIEW is pleased to provide this Church Directory as a community service

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Didsbury, Alberta - 5 km S of the Didsbury Overpass, 8 km E on Bergthal Rd.
Sunday Worship Service - 11:00 a.m.
For more information phone 403-335-4451
Hearing Interpreter
email: bergthal@explornet.com
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Knox United Didsbury

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Pastors Richard & Beth Kope
1710 - 14 St., Didsbury 403-335-3551
Email info@venuechurch.ca
www.venuechurch.ca

West Zion Mennonite Church

westzion.com has a map for directions
Senior Pastor Don Shortt
Youth Pastor Josh Tiel
Sunday Services 10:00 am
ALL WELCOME

St. Anthony's Catholic

2030 - 24 Ave. Didsbury
For more information please contact
Catholic Women's League:
Maxine Morcau 403-335-4948
Knights of Columbus:
Gary McNeil 403-335-8611
For more information
Olds St. Steven's Office
403-556-3084

Redeemer Lutheran Church Lutheran Church Canada

1500 - 23 St., Didsbury
Rev. Robert Mohrs
Church: 403-335-3161 / Res: 403-335-3656
Sunday Worship - 10:30 a.m.
Holy Communion 2, 4 & 5 Sunday 10:30 a.m.
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www.redeemerdidsbury.com

Mountain View Evangelical Missionary Church

14 km East of Didsbury Pastor Art Numan
Office: 403-335-4422
Morning Worship 11 a.m. • Sunday School 10 a.m.
For information concerning the weekly activities please call the Church Office.

Anglican Church of Canada St. Cyprian's

2037 - 24th Ave. Didsbury - 403-335-4664
Rector - David Asher
Sunday Worship 10:30 a.m.
Holy Communion - 2nd & 4th Sunday
each month

St. Agnes Catholic Church

302 - 11 Avenue South
Carstairs, Alberta
Mass Times: Saturday 5:00 p.m.
Sunday 10:00 a.m.
Parish Priest -
Fr. Thomas Vadassery
403-940-1100

Zion Evangelical Missionary Church

#802 Secondary Highway 582
Phone: 403-335-3629
Web: www.zemc.org
Mike Morgan, Senior Pastor
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ST. HILDA CHAPTER #27 O.E.S. - Has its regular meetings

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DIDSBURY & DISTRICT HEALTH SERVICES AUXILIARY - monthly meeting on the first Tuesday of each month at 2:00 p.m. in Unit 4 at the hospital.

3025 RCACC DIDSBURY ARMY CADETS - Youth 12-18 Thursdays 6:30 - 9:30. Downstairs Victoria Square Mall 403-559-8801.

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SUPPER INVITATION - The Didsbury Lions Club welcomes men & lady visitors at their supper meetings on the first and third Thursdays of each month, 6:45 p.m. at the 5-0 Club. For information and to RSVP call 403-335-9173 or 403-335-4796.

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<p>100. Obituaries</p> <p>Margaret Northcott Oct. 18, 1943 - Sat. May 9, 2015</p> <p>It is with sadness we announce the passing of Margaret Northcott on Saturday May 9, 2015. Marg was born October 18, 1943 in Drumheller and for the past 34 years resided in Didsbury. She was predeceased by her mother Aileen and father Ralph Flett. Marg is survived by her husband, Bob Davidson, son Dan Northcott and his wife Karilyn and grandson's Michael and Colin Northcott, sister Mary and husband Laverne Law, Aunt Jean Flett, Uncle Fred Courtney, sister-in-law Mavis Davidson, brother-in-law Dick Davison, brother-in-law Peter Davidson and wife Moe and numerous nieces, nephews and cousins. Marg will be truly missed by her family and friends.</p> <p>At Margaret's request no funeral or memorial service will be held.</p>	<p>160. Marriages</p> <p>There will be an open, couples wedding shower for Marjorie Dowell and Wes Nelson at Berghal Mennonite Church on Sunday, May 31st at 2:30 PM. Potluck. PLEASE NO GIFTS. Card and donation basket available. Any questions call Denise 403-335-8146</p>	<p>130. Coming Events</p> <p>ASPARAGUS FESTIVAL Fun for everyone May 31, June 7 & 14 www.edgarfarms.com</p> <p>1005. Help Wanted</p> <p>EQUIPMENT OPERATOR REQUIRED immediately. Pit experience an asset. Contact 403-588-2003</p> <p>5110. Houses For Rent</p> <p>COUNTRY RESIDENTIAL 2 bdrm. house, west of Didsbury. Avail. Immediately Email: garard@gdk.ca</p>	<p>5130. Apartments For Rent</p> <p>COLLEGE GREEN APARTMENTS 1802-16St. Didsbury. One bedroom quiet +50 building, incl. heat, water & elec. Rent \$750/mth. DD \$650 Call 403-335-3394</p> <p>5160. Condos For Rent</p> <p>ENJOY LIFE IN OUR active Seniors Complex. 1 Bdrm. full kitchen, meals available 403-335-2034</p>	<p>5170. Duplex/4 Plex for Rent</p> <p>AVAILABLE JUNE 1 IN Didsbury. 3 bedroom, 1/2 duplex. \$1200/mth. utilities incl. Security deposit and references required. Call 403-507-5094</p> <p>TWO BEDROOM APARTMENT in Didsbury 4Plex, available June 1, 2015, no dogs, \$795.00 S.D., \$795.00 per month plus utilities. 403-335-9630</p> <p>5800. Manuf. Homes - Sale</p> <p>MOBILE HOME 16 X 70 Regent. New paint and flooring, new windows, all appliances, new NG water heater, metal insulated skirting, 120 sq ft. heated porch, 320 sq ft. covered deck. To be moved \$40,900.00 403-948-5258</p>
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2208 - 16 Street



Terrific 5 level split, 1472 sq. ft., fully finished, 4 bedrooms, 2 baths, hardwood floors, double garage, large lot.

\$274,900

52 Sandpiper Drive, Didsbury



WOW factor! Large open floor plan, over 1500 sq. ft. on each floor, hardwood, granite counter tops, 3 + 1 bedrooms, 3 baths, in-floor heat in basement, central air conditioning, much more!

\$424,900

1815 - 17 Street



Great 50+ College Green villa, 2 + 1 bdrms, 2 baths, well maintained with some recent upgrades, reasonable HOA fees that cover lawn care, snow removal & town bill.

\$244,900

758 Stonehaven Dr., Carstairs



Gorgeous executive style home, 1572 sq. ft., tile, hardwood, gas fireplace, vaulted ceiling, main floor laundry, quartz counter tops in gourmet kitchen, oversized double attached garage.

\$449,900

2433 Lawrence Lane, Bowden



great family home, fully finished, 3 + 1 bedrooms, 3 baths, roughed in floor heat in basement, media room, large lot, double detached garage, fully fenced yard

\$279,900

16 Rosebud Country Estates



Beautiful acreage just outside of Didsbury, 1.41 acres, 1458 sq. ft., fully finished, 3 + 1 bedrooms, 3 1/2 baths, games room, media room, in floor heat, oversized double heated garage, ready to move in.

\$549,900

4.92 Acres in Bergen Area



1310 sq. ft., fully finished, many recent upgrades inside and out, 5 bedrooms, 2 baths, hot water heating throughout, covered wrap around deck, some outbuildings, some cross fencing.

\$529,900

107 Westridge Place



1585 sq ft bungalow, 3 + 2 bedrooms, 3 baths, gas fireplace, open plan, hardwood, 2 covered decks, huge back yard

\$364,900

2.62 Acres of Country Living



1292 sq. ft. home built in 1996, open floor plan, gas fireplace, oak kitchen with island, double attached garage, 40 X 80 quonset, on pavement.

\$579,900

Unit A, 1322 - 20 Street



Contemporary Condo floor plan, 1900 sq ft of developed living space, very open, 9' ceilings on main, 10' ceilings on lower level, centrally located.

\$199,900

2310 - 15 Avenue



1435 sq ft., pine cabinets, 2 pantries, 3 + 1 bedrooms, private park like yard close to schools, parks and the golf course.

\$253,900

3.04 Acres just east of QEII



Nice location on pavement, slight rise in land for a great building site, mountain view, easy access to surrounding communities and Calgary.

\$169,900

80 Acres West of Elkton!



Gorgeous 80 acre parcel, mostly trees but some open areas, different building site options, or just use for recreational, only 4 miles west of Highway 22

\$355,000

Don't leaf it to chance
with your home!

The Porch Boyz



2013 - 21 Avenue



1580 sq. ft. 2 storey, some hardwood, has been set up for multiple tenants in the past so good rental potential, located near downtown.

\$259,900

26 Deer Coulee Drive



Beautiful family home, over 1900 sq ft, 4 + 1 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, huge country kitchen, gas fireplace, in floor heat in basement, great location, large lot

\$409,900

71, 6210 - 65 Avenue, Olds



Beautiful mobile home on rented lot in the adult section of Silver Lake Park, 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, open plan, large west facing deck, close to shopping area on west side of Olds.

\$154,900

78 Didsbury Mobile Home Park



1216 sq ft mobile on rented lot, 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, open plan, vaulted ceiling, newer roof, paved parking pad, great condition

\$69,900

71 Southridge Crescent



Great home for first time buyers or revenue property, 3 + 1 bedrooms, 2 baths, large back yard with deck, fully fenced.

\$229,900

46 Stromsray Gate, Carstairs



Spacious floor plan in this 56+ condo unit, hardwood floors, coffered ceiling in living room, gas fireplace, amazing ensuite, covered rear deck with gas hookup, double garage, close to the golf course.

\$439,900

127 Southridge Crescent



3 + 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, huge double lot, double attached garage, large main floor family room.

\$254,900

12 Goddard Circle, Carstairs



Just under 1600 sq. ft., corner lot, open floor plan, 3 bedrooms, open den/office, triple garage.

\$374,900

16 Westhill Drive



Spacious family bungalow, 3 bedrooms, 1 1/2 baths, many upgrades to main floor, fireplace, hardwood, oversized double garage, backs onto golf course.

\$299,900

52 Stromsray Gate, Carstairs



Fantastic 50+ home, over 2400 sq. ft. developed, quartz counter tops, large walk-in pantry, walkout on third level, gas fireplace, etc...

\$439,900

306 Valarosa Place



Beautiful 1800 sq ft 2 storey on one of the largest lots in Valarosa, maple kitchen with island, walk-in pantry, gas fireplace, fantastic ensuite with heated floor, partially covered deck, huge fenced yard

\$404,900

142 - 6 Street, Sundre



Vacant industrial lot in Sundre, 0.40 acres, perimeter is chain link fenced, ready for your business plans

\$107,900

39 Didsbury Mobile Home Park



2 bedroom mobile on rented lot, lots of upgrades in recent years, hardwood, laminate, new maple kitchen, built-in oak desk/wall unit, rear deck, 2 storage sheds.

\$39,900

1708 - 16 Street



Fantastic property, upgraded home, 2 + 2 bedrooms, 2 baths, hardwood, tile, pellet stove, 4 tiered composite deck, huge lot (80' X 191'), oversized heated garage/shop (24 X 48), beautifully landscaped.

\$354,900

1 Westridge Drive



Lovely 2 storey home in preferred area, 3 + 1 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, newer laminate floor, 9' ceiling on main, double attached garage, large fenced back yard with 2 sheds

\$359,900